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For : DATA REPRODUCTION APPARATUS, VIDEO DISPLAY
APPARATUS AND SOFTWARE UPDATING SYSTEM AND
SOFTWARE UPDATING METHOD USING THE SAME

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 15, 2005, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a European Search Report dated February 7, 2006, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. EP 04 72 4373.8, in which the following documents were cited:

European Patent Publication No. EP 0 993 183, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,525,775;

Japanese Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2003-009059, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

European Patent Publication No. EP 1 282 316 along with an English language Abstract; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,331,876.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the European Examiner, are set forth in the European Search Report.

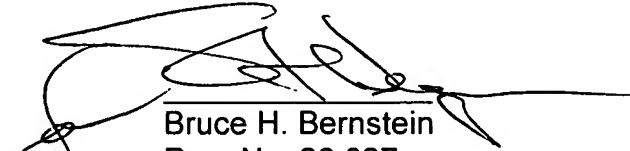
Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the above-noted documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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